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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any meeting of the World Energy Council`s assembly was held in India recently;

(b) if so, the details of issues discussed and the decisions taken in that meeting; and

(c) the extent to which the meeting is likely to be helpful to India in power sector?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a): Yes, Sir. The Executive Assembly 2000, Meeting of the World Energy Council was held on 22nd and 23rd November 2000 at New Delhi.

(b): The Executive Assembly of the World Energy Council discussed theagenda which, inter alia, included the review of the work of their various executive committees and study committees, to develop business plans of the World Energy Council for the year 2001 and to elect office bearers for the executive council for the seats falling vacant. A symposium on `Pricing Energy in Developing Countries` was also held where the factors influencing the pricing of energy in developing countries were deliberated upon. The Executive Assembly was preceded by a workshop on `Performance of Generating Plants` wherein experts across the worldshared their experience on best practices with work managers of power stations in India.

(c): India Energy Day was also organized on 24th November, 2000 onthe theme `Investment opportunities in the Indian Energy Sector` which was well attended by foreign delegates as well as prominent members of the World Energy Council from across the world along with eminent energy and financial experts. The delegates were informed of the current policies of the Government of India for encouraging foreign investment in the energy sector. It is expected that the deliberations would lead to greater interest in the Indian Energy Sector by foreign investors.